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PRC SENSITIVITY ABOUT YELLOW SEA AREA: SSO TAIWAN RE-
CENTLY MADE AN ASSESSMENT THAT THE PRC IS PARTICULARLY
SENSITIVE TO ANY NON-CHINESE NAVAL PRESENCE IN THE YELLOW
SEA AND THAT THE CHINESE HAVE A GOAL OF CREATING A "CHINESE

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JAPANESE DIPLOMATS DISCUSS IMPORTANCE OF RELATIONS WITH MIDDLE EAST NATIONS: A CONFERENCE OF JAPANESE AMBASSADORS TO MIDDLE EAST COUNTRIES -- THE FIRST OF ITS KIND -- WAS HELD IN PARIS ON JUNE 27 AND 28. THE AGENDA INCLUDED AN ASSESSMENT OF THE MIDDLE EAST SITUATION, THE PRODUCER-CONSUMER DIALOG, AND THE JAPANESE ECONOMIC COOPERATION WITH OIL-PRODUCING COUNTRIES. THE AMBASSADORS CONCLUDED THAT IT WAS NECESSARY TO RECOGNIZE THE IMPORTANCE OF THE MIDDLE EAST. TO ACCOMPLISH THIS, CABINET MEMBERS, FROM "THE PRIME MINISTER ON DOWN," NEED TO VISIT THE MIDDLE EAST FREQUENTLY TO STRENGTHEN JAPAN'S DIPLOMACY IN THAT REGION.

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THE WASHINGTON STAR NEWS
NICHOLAS M. HORROCK REPORTS THE CIA ENGAGED IN A MAJOR BUILD-UP OF ITS DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE OPERATIONS DURING THE NIXON

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ADMINISTRATION, ACCORDING TO A REPORT THE AGENCY SUBMITTED TO PRESIDENT FORD IN DECEMBER AND RELEASED BY THE CIA FOR THE FIRST TIME LAST NIGHT. IN AN UNEXPECTED DISCLOSURE, THE CIA MADE PUBLIC THE REPORT THAT ITS DIRECTOR SENT TO FORD DECEMBER 24. THE RELEASE OF THE REPORT CAME AS A SURPRISE IN THE CONTINUING FLOW OF INFORMATION ABOUT U.S. INTELLIGENCE OPERATIONS.

JEREMIAH O'LEARY REPORTS THAT YOU AND MRS. KISSINGER ARE "REVOLTED" BY THE ACTION OF A WASHINGTON REPORTER WHO, IN SEARCH OF A STORY, GRABBED FIVE PLASTIC BAGS OF YOUR TRASH FROM IN FRONT OF YOUR GEORGETOWN HOME.

JEREMIAH O'LEARY ALSO WRITES THAT YOU WERE TO LEAVE TODAY ON A WHIRLWIND DIPLOMATIC MISSION TO EUROPE AFTER HELPING TO LAUNCH A MAJOR ADMINISTRATION LOBBYING EFFORT WITH CONGRESS FOR RESTORATION OF MILITARY AID TO TURKEY. BOTH PRESIDENT FORD AND YOU SPOKE AT A WHITE HOUSE BREAKFAST FOR SOME 100 MEMBERS OF CONGRESS AS PART OF THE ALL-OUT ADMINISTRATION EFFORT TO PERSUADE THE LEGISLATIVE BRANCH TO VOTE FOR RESTORATION OF U.S. MILITARY ASSISTANCE TO THE TURKS. THE UNITED STATES IS FIGHTING A JULY 17 DEADLINE IN ITS DEALINGS WITH ANKARA.

NORMAN KEMPSTER WRITES THAT, HOPING TO COMPLETE THEIR CLOSED-DOOR INVESTIGATION OF CIA ASSASSINATION PLOTS BEFORE THE END OF THIS MONTH, SENATE INVESTIGATORS HAVE SUMMONED SOME OF THE BIGGEST NAMES OF THE KENNEDY ADMINISTRATION FOR QUESTIONING THIS WEEK. BY FRIDAY, THE SENATE SELECT INTELLIGENCE COMMITTEE EXPECTS TO HAVE INTERVIEWED ALMOST ALL LIVING MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL WHO SERVED UNDER PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY.

A STAR EDITORIAL SAYS ARGENTINA, AS OSCAR WILDE MIGHT HAVE SAID, IS A COUNTRY DYING BEYOND ITS MEANS. IT IS POTENTIALLY ONE OF THE WORLD'S RICHEST AGRICULTURAL NATIONS, BLESSED WITH BLACK EARTH, RAIN, AND SUN BUT CURSED BY POLITICS AND CYNICISM. THE ARGENTINE PRESIDENT IS NOTABLY UNEQUIPPED BY TRAINING OR BACKGROUND FOR THE TASK OF LEADING HER COUNTRY OUT OF THE DEEPENING ECONOMIC CRISIS IT FACES. AND HER MENTOR, JOSE LOPEZ REGA, IS ALMOST UNIVERSALLY HATED. THE PRESENT CRISIS, TO BE SURE, IS ABOUT MONEY, NOT POLITICS. THE IRONY OF THE SITUATION IS THAT AUSTERITY IS THE ONLY MEDICINE THAT WILL CURE THE ECONOMIC ILLS OF ARGENTINA. ARGENTINA CANNOT CONTINUE MUCH LONGER SPENDING MONEY IT DOES NOT HAVE. WITH AN ALREADY HUGE BUDGET IMBALANCE AND DETERIORATING CREDIT, THE NATION WILL HAVE TO RAISE CAPITAL AND FOREIGN INVESTMENT TO SURVIVE. IN THIS DILEMMA LIE THE SEEDS OF CHAOS. THE STAR- IS NOT ENCHANTED WITH THE

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KIND OF COUP D'ETAT THAT TOOK PLACE IN INDIA AND PROPELLED THE U.S. INTO THE POSITION OF BEING THE WORLD'S LARGEST DEMOCRACY. BUT IN FACE OF THE DISARRAY IN ARGENTINA UNDER A NOMINAL DEMOCRACY, MILITARY CONTROL MAY BE NEEDED FOR A LIMITED TIME TO ENFORCE THE ECONOMIC POLICIES THAT THE PERON-LOPEZ REGA REGIME SEEMS UNABLE TO PERSUADE THE ARGENTINES TO ACCEPT.

GARRY WILLS WRITES THAT THE ISSUE OF TACTICAL NUCLEAR WARFARE HAS RETURNED TO PROMINENCE IN AN IRONIC WAY. BACK IN THE 1960S, MANY WOULD HAVE EXPECTED THIS DEBATE TO SEIZE THE NATION IF YOU EVER REACHED A POSITION OF POWER, SO HERE YOU ARE, PRESIDING OVER ALL OUR FOREIGN POLICY, AND THE OLD SPECTER RISES AGAIN. YET, STRANGE TO SAY, THE TACTICAL NUKE THEME HAS NOT BEEN SPREADING FROM YOUR OWN CENTERS OF POWER. IT COMES FROM THE PENTAGON -- THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE, A COLLEAGUE-RIVAL WHO SEEMS TO HAUNT YOUR CAREER. SCHLESINGER AND YOU SEEM TO HAVE BEEN WHIMSICALLY THINNED BY DESTINY. TAKING PARALLEL YET DIFFERENT ROUTES, YOU HAVE REACHED RIVAL EMINENCES IN WHICH YOU NEED EACH OTHER, YET NEED TO RESIST EACH OTHER. WHETHER SCHLESINGER INTENDED IT OR NOT, THE DEBATE HE HAS BEGUN ON THE USE OF TACTICAL NUKES REINFORCES THE PRESSURE INHERITED FROM THE MIDDLE EASTERN CONFLICT. IT PUTS YOU IN A VERY DIFFICULT SITUATION.

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